## RYAN WHITE TITLE I PLANNING COUNCIL

**MISSION**: The Council and Title I grantee seek to ensure access of HIV-positive persons to quality service delivery by a comprehensive network of care providers.

**FORMATION AUTHORITY**: Title I of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act of 1990.

COMPOSITION: Council membership shall include representation as mandated by the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990 filling each of the following categories: Health Care providers, Community-based organizations serving affected populations & AIDS service organizations, Social Service providers, Mental Health providers, Substance Abuse providers, Local Public Health agencies, Hospital planning agencies or health care planning agencies, affected communities and historically under-served groups and subpopulations, non-elected community leaders, State Medicaid agency, State Agency administering the Title II program, CARE Act grantees under Title III, grantees under other Federal HIV programs, previously incarcerated individuals with HIV or AIDS. Members shall be appointed by the BOS and consist of 25 to 45 persons residing throughout the EMA. Members shall be appointed for two year terms to begin on March 1st of each year. Members may be appointed to a maximum of three consecutive full terms. No less than 33% of these members shall be HIV-positive individuals who are consumers of Title I services. Whenever possible, council membership shall include: One member representing the Central AZ HIV Prevention Planning Group, one member representing the Pinal County Health Department, two representatives of elected leaders of local municipalities with a high incidence of HIV within the EMA, two representatives of a local medical organization, one representative of local or primary or secondary educational institutions within the EMA and one representative of a local university within the EMA.

**DUTIES AND POWERS**: The Council's responsibilities shall be to: establish priorities for the allocation of funds within the EMA, develop a comprehensive plan for the organization and delivery of health services, assess the efficiency of the administrative mechanism in rapidly allocating funds to the areas of greatest need, participate in the development of a statewide coordinated statement of need, establish and monitor compliance with operating procedures, establish methods for obtaining input on community needs and priorities.

MEETINGS: Meetings schedules can be found at http://www.maricopa.gov/public health/ryanwhite

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